

**House File 2063 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act providing for the staffing of mental health  
2 professionals in primary and secondary schools and making  
3 appropriations.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 280.36 Mental health professionals  
2 — appropriation.

3 1. Each public school and nonpublic school shall have a  
4 minimum of one health care professional with mental health  
5 credentials available on site daily to assist students during  
6 normal hours of instruction.

7 2. There is appropriated annually from the general fund of  
8 the state to the department of education an amount sufficient  
9 to meet the requirements of subsection 1.

10 3. The department of health and human services shall assist  
11 the department of education in determining the annual amount  
12 necessary to meet the requirements of subsection 1.

13 EXPLANATION

14 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
15 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

16 This bill requires all charter schools, public schools, and  
17 accredited nonpublic schools to have a minimum of one health  
18 care professional with mental health credentials available on  
19 site to assist students during normal hours of instruction.

20 The bill annually appropriates to the department of  
21 education an amount sufficient to provide this staffing, and  
22 requires the department of health and human services to assist  
23 the department of education in determining the required amount.